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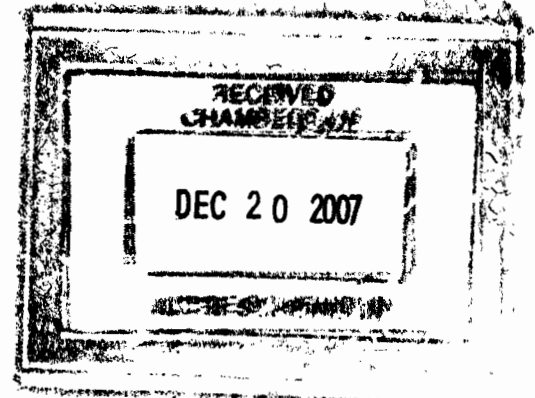
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December 21, 2007

BY FACSIMILE

Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin
United States District Judge
United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street
New York, NY 10007

Re: United States v. Lam
07 Cr. 844 (SAS)



Dear Judge Scheindlin:

I discussed the above-referenced case with defense counsel today, and the parties request additional time – approximately one month – to explore a disposition. The parties are scheduled to appear for a status conference in the case tomorrow at 4:30 p.m., but if the it suits the Court, would request that the Court simply adjourn the matter to a date in late January that is convenient for the Court.

If the Court should adjourn the conference, defense counsel seeks (and is joined by the Government) an exclusion of time under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. 3161(h)(8)(a) for the purpose of plea discussions, and submit that such an exclusion is in the interest of justice.

Very truly yours,

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*Request for Granted
Conference adjourned to
January 25 at 4:30. Time
excluded.*

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